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Still Looking: Continuities of Knowledge in the Information Age

Library Computing & Media Internships
The Evergreen State College
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WINTER READING SYLLABUS

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- This program combines six hours of academic classes with ten credit computing and media internships in the library.

- Projects are available for students in all fields of scholarly interest. All levels of computer proficiency are respected and welcome.

- The academic goal is to assess and report on how the web is impacting contemporary practices and philosophies of knowledge.

- The internship goal is to develop advanced skills and work experience in web research, digital imaging, web design and public service.

- Preparatory for graduate school and careers in academic study, information science, education, journalism and the visual arts.

ACADEMIC CLASSES

Schedule

- Monday 11-1 / Reading seminar.
- Tuesday 3-5 / Assisted work session.
- Thursday 1-3 / Imaging & web class.
- Friday 11-1 / Library skills workshop.

Readings

- Andy Hertzfeld, Revolution in the Valley (2004)
- Richard Stallman, Free Software, Free Society (2002)
- Thomas H. Davenport and Laurence Prusak, Working Knowledge (2000)
- Walter J. Ong, Orality and Literacy (2002)
- Haruki Murikami, Hard Boiled Wonderland and the End of the World (1993).
- Selected readings online.

Assignments

- Weekly seminar paper, 1-2 pgs – in paper and posted on blog site.
- Weekly integration blog.

Reading Syllabus

Fall Quarter
Philosophy of Information

Winter Quarter
Knowledge Markets within Institutions

Spring Quarter

Information Technology Literacy

ITL in the Internship

RESEARCH:HEL

- Research skills websites.
- Website presentations, Wks 4, 7, 10.

INTERNSHIP

Schedule

- Up to 6 hrs/wk – library media and computing, TBA.
- Up to 18 hrs/wk – library area work exchange, TBA.

Assignments

- Team web project, TBA.
- Area job duties, TBA.

ASSIGNMENT CATALOG

Seminar Papers
– Reading reaction papers 1-2 pages due each week in seminar. This short but serious assignment reviews reading content, focuses thoughts for discussion, and practices formal writing skills. Typewritten, double-spaced, grammar and spelling.

Integration Blog
– Short weekend reflections due online each week by 10 am Monday mornings. This assignment encourages students to review academic themes and work experience, practice free writing, and communicate personal insights and ideas.

Reference Websites
– Interns will work as a single team on a series of shared website assignments. There will be three assignments, due for presentation in Weeks 4, 7 and 10. In each case, students will construct a website to serve as a comprehensive and reliable general reference tool for a specific topic. Topics will be chosen from the humanities, science and law on the first day of class. Development of each site will be supported with classroom instruction in library research methods and reference strategies for the general fields of the topics.

Presentations – Interns present reference websites in Wks 4, 7, 10.

Area Job Duties
– Specific duties scheduled and assigned with intern field supervisor. All schedules must be kept and all work performed.

First Assignment – Buy books online.

ACADEMIC SYLLABUS

Week 1 / Jan 3-7
Scheduling and Assignments

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar - Scheduling and Assignments

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 2 / Jan 10-14
The Computer as Historical Artifact

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: Stallman, Free Software, Free Society, Pt 1.

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 3 / Jan 17-21
The Politics of Software

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: Stallman, Free Software, Free Society, Pt 2-3.

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 4 / Jan 24-28
Relations of Copyright

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: Davenport and Prusak, Working Knowledge.

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 5 / Jan 31-Feb 4
Computers in Business

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: Hertzfeld, Revolution in the Valley.

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, LC / Film and potluck.

9- Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 6 / Feb 7-11
Computers in Government

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: David Noble, "Digital Diploma Mills: The Automation of Higher Education"

Stan Katz, "Don't Confuse a Tool with a Goal: Making Information Technology Serve Higher Education, Rather Than the Other Way Around."

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 7 / Feb 14-18
Information Marketing and Higher Ed

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar CANCELLED

READINGS:

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 8 / Feb 21-25
A Return to Text and Meaning

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: Ong, Orality and Literacy, Chap 1-3.

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 9 / Feb 28-Mar 4
Subjectivity and Web Ideals

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: Ong, Orality and Literacy, Chap 4-7.

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, GCC / Digital imaging & web class.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum.

Week 10 / Mar 7-11
Information Fiction, Redux

Mon 11-1, LC / Seminar

READINGS: Murikami, Hard Boiled Wonderland and the End of the World.

Tues 3-5, GCC / Computer skills practicum.

Thurs 1-3, LC - Potluck and presentations.

Fri 11-1, LC / Library skills practicum – cancelled.

Evals Week / Mar 14 -18

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